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In re patent application of  
Hiatt et al.

Serial No. 08/300,484

Filed: September 2, 1994

For: ENZYME CATALYZED TEMPLATE-INDEPENDENT:  
CREATION OF PHOSPHODIESTER BONDS USING  
PROTECTED NUCLEOTIDES

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: Group Art Unit: 1211

: Examiner: James O. Wilson

: Date: August 5, 1997

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Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT

Sir:

Attorneys for the above-identified applicant received a Notice of Abandonment mailed July 22, 1997, for failure to respond to an Office letter mailed December 23, 1996. However, a response to said Office letter and a three-month Extension Petition were mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office on June 23, 1997.

Attached hereto are copies of our Amendment Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.115 and three-month Extension Petition, which bear Certificates of Mailing dated June 23, 1997. A copy of the postcard indicating receipt in the mailroom on June 25, 1997 is also enclosed.

It is therefore believed that evidence has been submitted to establish that a response to the Office Action dated December 23, 1996 was timely filed, and is

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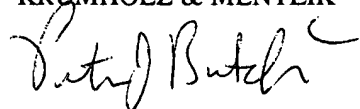
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therefore respectfully requested that prosecution on the above-identified application be reopened.

If there are any fees due in connection with this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

Respectfully submitted,

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